

Remarks

I. Restriction and Election Requirement

In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

Group I: Claims 1-10, drawn to a method for detecting foreign DNA in a modified host genome, classified in class 435, subclass 6; and

Group II: Claims 11-12, drawn to a kit for use in detecting foreign DNA in a modified host genome, classified in class 536, subclass 22.1.

In response, Applicants elect to begin prosecution with examination of claim **Group I**, claims 1-10, without traverse. Non-elected claims 11-12 are canceled.

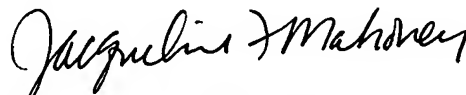
Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims of Group II.

II. Amendments

Non-elected claims 11-12 are canceled without prejudice.

No new matter is added by way of these amendments.

Respectfully submitted,



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